If a student transfers in or out of state the entire original record goes to the new school and the school who is losing the student has to develop their own policy as to what/if they make copies to keep for themselves. If the school does make copies for themselves they need to keep them for a minimum of 2 years (must be a minimum of 2 years as stated in law not shorter than 2 years) or how long their policy specifies (may be longer than 2 years).

From the Pennsylvania Public School Code, also attached.

**§ 14-1409. Confidentiality, transference and removal of health records**

All health records established and maintained pursuant to this act shall be confidential, and their contents shall be divulged

only when necessary for the health of the child or at the request of the parent or guardian to a physician legally

qualified to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathy or osteopathic surgery in the Commonwealth.

In the case of any child of school age who enrolls in any school, public or private, in any district and who previously

attended school in another district in Pennsylvania, the district or school wherein the child is newly enrolled shall request

and the district or school where the child previously attended shall surrender the health record of the child. School

districts, joint school boards or private schools, shall not destroy a child's health record for a period of at least two years

after the child ceases to be enrolled, but may surrender such child's health record or portion thereof to his parent or

guardian if the child does not re-enroll in an elementary or secondary school in Pennsylvania.

From Chapter 23, also attached. Please note that it does not state just within Pennsylvania.

**§ 23.55. Maintenance of health records.**

Health records shall be maintained for each child. These records shall be kept in the school building where the child attends school and shall be available to the school nurse at all times. Records shall be transferred with the child when he moves from one school to another or from one district to another.